## Executive Aroclamation State of South Dakota

## Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Walworth County, South Dakota, organized in June of 1883, was named after Walworth County, Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, Walworth was originally settled by French trappers in the late 19th Century, and is known by many as the county with more seats than a double-decker bus; and,

WHEREAS, The first county seat was at Scranton (which later came to be known as South LeBeau after the family of Antoine LeBeau who owned a trading post there), but because of its central location, Bangor became the seat in November of 1884; and,

WHEREAS, The county seat fight came to light in 1904 when both Java and Selby petitioned to be the center of county government. Bangor won that election, but when Selby instituted court proceedings, they gained the seat by default. Bangor fought back, and after a long and complex battle, the Supreme Court of 1906 handed down a decision in favor of Bangor; and,

WHEREAS, The final decision was made on November 3, 1908, when voters acquiesced to return the county seat to Selby, South Dakota. It has been there ever since; and,

WHEREAS, Since those early turbulent days, Walworth County has become a peaceful and friendly place to live. Bordered on one side by the Mighty Missouri, Walworth has several beautiful lakes that provide recreation and relaxation for many South Dakotans; and,

WHEREAS, Walworth County is known for its fine people--Lieutenant Governor George H. Hoffman and Governor George T. Mickelson hailed from there--and this summer, these friendly South Dakotans will be celebrating one hundred years of progress:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 10, 1983, as

WALWORTH COUNTY DAY

in South Dakota. ATTEST:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JUNICOW, GOVERNOR